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**PATENT**

Attorney Docket No. SIC-01-011 *13/B*  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

MASAHIRO YAMANAKA

Application No.: 10/002,256

Filed: November 23, 2001

For: SEAL ASSEMBLY FOR A BICYCLE  
BOTTOM BRACKET

) Examiner: Julie Knecht Smith

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) AMENDMENT

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This is a response to the Office Action mailed November 3, 2003. A request for continued examination accompanies this amendment. Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.